

Chicks Open Thursday For Four Local Games

Meet New Orleans Pelicans in First Three and Then Take on Birmingham Barons Sunday—Tribes Returns in Good Shape and Got Even Break on the Road.

By BOB FIGUE.

AFTER HAVING secured an even break on their recent invasion of New Orleans and Mobile, the Chicks have returned to Memphis for a four-day stand at Russwood park. The New Orleans Pelicans are first on the menu, being dated for three sessions Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The Birmingham Barons follow the Pels into Memphis for a single game Sunday. Then the Tribe will hit the long, long trail again.

Chief Jack Lewis said he would probably use Oscar Tuero or Bill Thweatt on the hill against the Pels in the opener. Manager Johnny Dobbs of the Pels said he would start either Roy Walker or Clyde Barfoot. The game will start at 4 o'clock. Umpires Bill Brennan and Jack Kerin will officiate.

RED HEAD RECONSIDERS.

Chester Torkelson, the red-headed pitcher, outfielder, comedian, of the New Orleans Pelicans, who decided to give the Pels the hinky-dink and beat it out to the Pacific coast, has changed his mind and is now a full-fledged member of the Birds again.

Red was well liked as a Pelican until he saw several reels of Mack Sennett's bathing beauties. Red learned that these comedies are made out on the Pacific coast, so he decided he wanted a change of scenery pronto. The quickest way was to beat it out to the coast. He notified Manager Johnny Dobbs and President Heinemann, of the New Orleans club, that he was through as a Pelican and that he was through as a Pelican and that he was through as a Pelican.

But Red has undergone a change of heart. Just why the brickbat has decided he'd rather remain here the rest of the season is not known. To Pacific Coast league berth isn't stated. The chances are that Torkelson will get his wish and be shifted to the P. C. L. before next season starts.

Red is a very valuable adjunct to any ball club being a good pitcher, outfielder and comedian. He is the only real fun-maker in the Southern league at present. There are several who think they are funny, but the fact remains that Torkelson is the only laugh-getter in the league.

CHICKS BREAK EVEN.

The Chicks didn't have such a bad road trip after all. They beat the New Orleans Pelicans two games out of three played, and drew one out of three to the Mobile Bears, making it .500 for the trip.

Five-fifty hall on the road isn't bad. The rest of the schedule calls for several games with Chattanooga and Nashville, and the Tribe is expected to pull into a first division berth before the curtain goes down on the afternoon of Sept. 18.

Manager Jack Lewis, of the Chicks, expects to get in the opener between Memphis and New Orleans.

Jack's right arm, which was broken on last night's game of the Pels into Memphis, will probably be a trifle shy in the case of Clyde Barfoot pitches against the Chicks. Barfoot is expected to be fast one of Barfoot's that struck Jack on the right forearm and cracked it. Jack has been out of the game ever since.

RACE TIGHTENS.
The Little Rock Travelers are still leading the league, but they have had quite a few of their plumes removed since they started their invasion of Dixie a week ago in many days. He lost the second one.

The race in the Southern has tightened considerably, and the New Orleans Pelicans are slowly creeping on the Little Rockers, who are but a short distance ahead.

Little Rock clubs have the habit of playing good ball up until near the finish of the season, but they have a tendency to skid badly when the stretch is reached. The Little Rockers have badly at the hands of Dixie's team and man's Cracker, and unless they take a brace soon, they are going to yield the place to the Birmingham, Atlanta or New Orleans.

Kid Elberfeld's pitching staff is showing signs of overwork. Rube Robinson, southpaw, and the Kid's hurling ace, have pitched two games in many days. He lost the second one.

Elberfeld's, the redskin pitcher, is back with the team, but he is unable to show anything since his return.

The Little Rockers are at home for a spell and are counting on regaining the lost ground during the stay on friendly soil.

DON'T HURRY, JIM.
Jim Dunn, owner of the Cleveland Indians, has decided to wait a few more days before starting the sale of world's tickets.

Reason No. 1—The New York Yankees have just trimmed the Indians twice in as many days.

Reason No. 2—The Chicago White Sox are coming like the Twentieth Century Limited, an hour late.

There's a manly slip between August and October.

You tell 'em, bees; you've got the hive.

The hats of all fans who are in favor of their recent invasion of New Orleans and Mobile. They were raised out on two occasions, and as the local cities are going back to these two Trias again, this season, the games that were raised out will not be played.

Another Southern leaguer has been called higher. Bert Griffith, the hard-hitting outfielder of the Birmingham Barons, has been sold to the Brooklyn Robins for full delivery.

Griffith is expected to be in the big show and this time he is expected to attack. He is figuring on being to Brooklyn in time to see the Dodgers in the world's series.

COAST CLEANS UP.
The hats of all fans who are in favor of clean baseball should be doffed to the managers of the Pacific Coast league, who have been busy doing some midsummer house-cleaning and ridding that organization of a flock of undesirable ball players, who are alleged to have found the crooked path more alluring than the straight one.

It will be remembered that Casey Smith and Tom Sexton, two pitchers, were given a one-way ticket out of the Pacific Coast league "for the good of the game." They tried to alight in the Southern with the Little Rock Travelers but the Dixie club owners wouldn't stand for it and notified them to keep moving.

Now Babe Borton and Hal Maggart have felt the heavy hand of the club owners and have been barred from the Pacific Coast league. Hal Chase, who was barred from the big leagues some time ago for alleged participation in shady deals, was out on the coast and is charged with having gotten the two latest Pacific Coast league players in their present jam.

There can be nothing but commendation for the Pacific Coast league club owners, for just such drastic action is absolutely necessary any time any of the traitors to the sport that has fed them all these years are shown up in their true light.

A recruit pitcher recently pitched to Joe Jackson with the tying run roosting in second.

As Bill Shakespeare almost said, "A boob is an awful thing."

An umpire by the name of Jay Barnes, now a native of Houston, Tex., has applied for a job as handler in the Indian in the Southern league. President John D. Martin is figuring on adding an emergency arbiter to his present staff, and it is quite probable that Barnes will be given a tryout.

Chuck Campbell, a local boy who served with Don Pennington here recently, made a big hit with the league president, and was offered a contract, but Buck has been unable thus far to get away from his job. He may arrange to take it permanently next season.

BRINGING UP FATHER—By George McManus

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THE FLAG CHASE

HOW THEY STAND.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

Team	W.	L.	Pct.	W.	L.	Pct.
Little Rock	62	45	.579	583	574	
New Orleans	62	47	.569	572	564	
Atlanta	60	48	.556	564	556	
Birmingham	59	48	.550	560	550	
MEMPHIS	56	56	.500	505	495	
Mobile	55	57	.488	488	477	
Nashville	58	68	.424	429	420	
Chattanooga	39	72	.351	357	349	

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Team	W.	L.	Pct.	W.	L.	Pct.
Cleveland	69	37	.651	651	641	
Chicago	69	41	.627	620	611	
N. York	69	42	.622	610	604	
St. Louis	52	53	.495	495	486	

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Team	W.	L.	Pct.	W.	L.	Pct.
Brooklyn	61	46	.567	567	557	
Cincinnati	54	53	.509	509	500	
St. Paul	54	53	.509	509	500	
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St. Paul	71	25	.738	738	728	
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WHERE THEY PLAY.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.
New Orleans at Memphis.
Nashville at Atlanta.
Birmingham at Little Rock.
Atlanta at Nashville.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.
Washington at Chicago.
Only games scheduled.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.
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INTENTIONAL PASS GIVEN BABE RUTH CAUSES BATTLE

Big Bambino Protests at Being Walked So Much and Rules Regarding Passes Likely to Undergo Change.

By COYLE SHEA

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—The intentional pass rule in baseball is consuming the interest of fans all over the country—and, strangely enough, because Babe Ruth, a representative of New York, is the cause of most of the indignation.

The intentional pass thing has been a thorny stickler in the side of baseball for many years. The fans never have liked it, and the players themselves, although taking advantage of it whenever it was thought necessary, nevertheless, have often admitted that, at best, it was rather a shady piece of work.

Baseball is the only game in which a star player may be made impotent through distortion of the rules. There isn't another sport where an offensive weapon of great strength can be turned to nothing simply by refusing to admit the spirit of a rule.

Last winter the joint rules committee of the major leagues got together in a bold effort to do away with the intentional pass. The result was that a rule was made which forbade a pitcher from stepping from his box before a pitch was delivered. It therefore became necessary to jump out of the box after the pitch was made. What a lot of rot that rule is! It took the seven leagues to correct the fault the rules committee sought to eliminate. And to a man on the sidelines it looks very much as if the rule committee knew it wouldn't work.

Correct Playing Code.
It is asking a lot of baseball to correct its playing code to benefit one person. There probably won't be another Ruth around for a good many years, but arguments that include this statement do not take into account the speakers, Jacks, Cobbs, Hornsby, Wheat and other luminaries, who suffer constantly from violation of the intentional pass rule. Pandom has been roaring for years over the rule. The fact that Ruth is being walked time after time has done more to keep the fans and so do the magnates that the base on balls was intended as a penalty for poor pitching. It never was and never could be construed otherwise, yet pitchers are daily using it to their advantage.

Consider the case of the Yankees if no other argument is to be used against the walk. The ten colonies who own this baseball club paid lots of money to get into their lineup this wonderful slugger. They not only have to pay him a whole of an attraction, but they also considered it probable he would be due to bat the team into a pennant. He has been passed so many times with runners on bases, or when a run might add a ball game, that anyone on the bench has become disgusted with the proceedings.

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GIANTS WIN TWO FROM THE PIRATES
NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—The New York Giants continued their dash toward first place yesterday, winning both games of a double-header from Pittsburgh, 5 to 1 and 6 to 3.

Bernie and Douglas pitched fine ball for the Giants, but in the sixth inning of the second game Douglas faltered and was touched up for five hits. Spencer in the Giants' half, tripped with three on bases and scored on Doyle's single.

PELS DEFEAT VOLS.
NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 12.—New Orleans won its home stay yesterday by defeating Nashville 6 to 3 in a hot game. Dufray, a recruit pitcher from the Louisiana State league, pitched his first full game for the locals and had the best of Hodge, although allowing 10 hits.

SAUNDERS TO MEET DEMPSEY IN RETURN SKIT

Flyweights Top Regular Weekly Card at S. A. C. Both Lads Confident and Action Is Promised.

By COYLE SHEA

Young Jack Dempsey and Tommy Sanders put on an excellent second round of their thrilling flyweights feature when they met at the Southern Athletic Club, Monday night, in the semi-finals of the weekly card. Their opening skit was staged in conjunction with the appearance here of Georges Carpentier, heavyweight champion of Europe. The contest developed into one of the snappiest of the light rounds. The verdict was a draw.

In this return engagement Dempsey followers have picked their lead to win a clean margin but Sanders adherents are none the less confident. The Dempsey crowd points to the fact that the kid is still on edge following his decisive victory over Jimmy Currie.

At the same time the thirty little of the light rounds. The verdict was a draw.

Unless the dope is worth less than a dime a hoghead this flyweight attraction should prove to be one of the dandiest of the season. It is a real second. And it may furnish some answer to the successor to Pat Moore as a local favorite.

Moore, Dempsey and Sanders are strictly home products of the Made-in-Memphis variety. Pandom has been roaring for years over the rule. The fact that Ruth is being walked time after time has done more to keep the fans and so do the magnates that the base on balls was intended as a penalty for poor pitching. It never was and never could be construed otherwise, yet pitchers are daily using it to their advantage.

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